

CLAIMS

We claim:

- 5 1. A method of interacting with a device comprising the step of:
receiving from a network a signal, the signal sent to the network from a
computer responsive to an input, wherein the signal facilitates the changing of a
state of the device.
- 10 2. The method of claim 1 wherein the device is a television.
3. The method of claim 1 wherein the computer includes a graphical interface.
4. A method of interacting with a device coupled to a network comprising the
15 steps of:
receiving from a network a signal generated by computer responsive to an
input, the signal used to change a state of a device; and
transmitting the signal to a device.
- 20 5. The method of claim 4 wherein the device is a television.
6. The method of claim 4 wherein the computer includes a graphical interface.
7. A system for interacting between a computer and a device wherein the
25 computer and device are connected to a network, the system comprising a
computer with a graphical interface and a set-top box, wherein the set-top box
receives from a network a signal generated by computer responsive to an input,
the signal used to change a state of a device, and wherein the set-top box
transmits the signal to a device.

8. A method for interacting with a device comprising the steps of:
- receiving a signal at a first device;
- receiving interactive content at a computer, the interactive content corresponding to a signal received at a device; and
- 5 displaying the interactive content on a display of the computer.
9. The method of claim 8 wherein the interactive content received at a computer is responsive to the signal received at a device.
- 10 10. The method of claim 8 wherein the interactive content is received at a computer simultaneous with the signal received at a device.
11. The method of claim 8 wherein the device is a television.
- 15 12. The method of claim 8 wherein the interactive content is received over a network.
13. The method of claim 8 wherein the second device is a computer.
- 20 14. The method of claim 13 wherein the computer has a graphical interface.
15. A method for interacting with a device comprising the steps of:
- transmitting a signal to a device; and
- transmitting interactive content to a computer, the interactive content
- 25 corresponding to the signal transmitted to the first device.
16. The method of claim 15 wherein the device is a television.

17. The method of claim 15 further comprising displaying the interactive content on the second device.

18. The method of claim 15 wherein the interactive content is received over a network.

19. The method of claim 17 wherein the second device is a computer.

20. The method of claim 19 wherein the computer has a graphical interface.